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INTERIM REPORT

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON LAND EXPROPRIATION



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To The Honourable
The Legislative Assembly of
The Province of Ontario.

Parliament Buildings,
Toronto, Ontario
November 22, 1961

Honourable Members:

On Friday, April 8th, 1960, during the First Session of the Twenty-sixth Legislature it was moved, seconded and duly carried by this House that a Select Committee be appointed consisting of Messrs. Cass (Chairman), Beckett (Vice-Chairman), Gould, Grossman, Innes, Janes, Letherby, Morningstar, Noden, Parry and Troy to review the laws of Ontario respecting expropriation and compensation and to make recommendations thereon to this House.

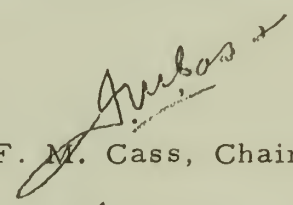
On Tuesday, November 22nd, 1961, during the Second Session of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, this Select Committee submitted an Interim Report in which the work of the Committee was reviewed and in which a request was made that the term of the Committee be extended to permit further investigation and study to be made. This request was granted by an order of this House dated Thursday, March 23rd, 1961.

At the time of the last Interim Report the Committee had received submissions from forty-five organizations and individuals with approximately fifty attendances having been made by various representatives upon the Committee. Since the date of that report, several weeks have been spent by the Committee in holding public hearings across Ontario while another week was utilized in making an inspection trip to other American and Canadian jurisdictions.

Public meetings have been held in Toronto, Ottawa, North Bay, Port Arthur, Chatham, Waterloo and St. Catharines. Notice of these meetings was advertised in the local newspapers on two separate occasions and over one thousand individual notices were mailed to persons who had indicated an interest in the subject, including municipalities. As a result of these meetings the Committee has received over seventy further submissions for its consideration. The Committee has investigated and reviewed procedures for the acquisition of land under the laws of California, British Columbia, Alberta, Canada and the United Kingdom with attendances upon government departments, municipal representatives, public utility representatives and revision commissioners in some of these jurisdictions. The submissions received and the information obtained

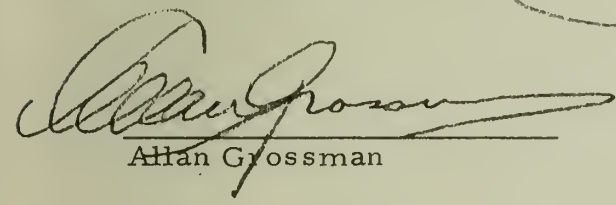
have introduced the Committee to concepts and principles which have not, to its knowledge, been utilized in Ontario. These hearings and investigations were completed by mid-summer and in the interval consideration has been given to the merits of the recommendations and suggestions which have been received and which are presently represented by over one hundred briefs, each with varying approaches to the same problems.

While it might be possible to make our recommendations at this time, the great number of submissions that were received at the public meetings appears to warrant the detailed study of the Committee so that our report may reflect as much as possible the constructive views expressed before us. We would, therefore, respectfully request that the existence of the Committee be further extended by the Legislature to permit the completion of the work of the Committee.

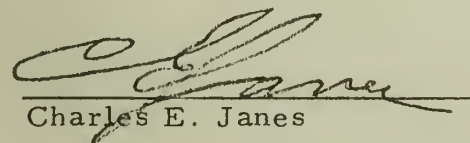

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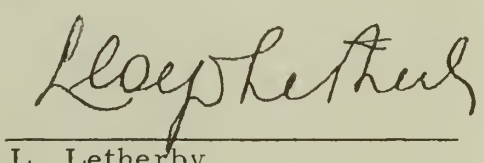

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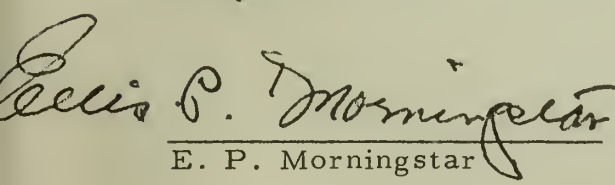

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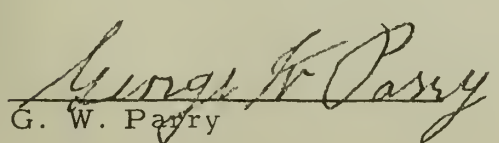

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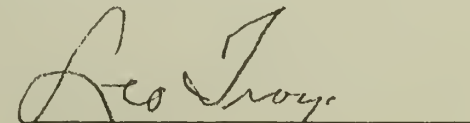

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